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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (currently amended) A process for producing an allyl-containing compound represented by following Formula (3):

$$R^7 - Y \xrightarrow{R^3} R^4 R^6$$
 (3)

wherein R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> may be the same as or different from one another and each represent hydrogen atom or an organic group; R<sup>7</sup> represents an organic group; and Y represents oxygen atom or sulfur atom, the process comprising the step of

reacting an allyl ester compound represented by following Formula (1):

wherein R<sup>1</sup> represents hydrogen atom or an organic group; and R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> are as defined above, with a compound represented by following Formula (2)

$$R^7 - Y - H \tag{2}$$

wherein R<sup>7</sup> is an organic group; and Y is as defined above, wherein the compound represented by Formula (2) is one selected from the group consisting of alcohols, thiol compounds, carboxylic acids, and thiocarboxylic acids,

in the presence of a catalytic amount of an iridium compound.

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2. - 3. (cancelled).

4. (cancelled).

5. (previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein said iridium compound is an

organic iridium complex.

6. (previously presented) The process of claim 5, wherein said organic iridium complex is

a cationic iridium complex.

7. (previously presented) The process of claim 5, wherein said organic iridium complex is

selected from the group consisting of di-µ-chlorotetrakis(cyclooctene)diiridium(I), di-µ-

chlorotetrakis(ethylene)diiridium(I), di-µ-chlorobis(1,5-cyclooctadiene)diiridium(I), bis(1,5-

cyclooctadiene)iridium tetrafluoroborate and (1,5-cyclooctadiene)(acetonitrile)iridium

tetrafluoroborate.

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